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Status

- 1) ☐ Responsive to communication(s) filed on ____.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 21-51 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) ____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) ____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 21-51 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) ____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) ____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 15 October 2003 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. ____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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Part III DETAILED ACTION

1. Applicant should update the related application cited on page 2. Examiner has considered cited U.S. patent applications in papers # 7/16/04, 3/12/04 and 10/15/03.
2. Claim 1 is objected because of the following informalities: on line 3, the phrase "a image" appears that it should be changed to "an image", and on line 3 the phrase "device;" appears that it should be changed to "device; and".

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

2. Claims 21-24, 28-38, 40-51 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Kashiwazaki et al. (5,469,373) in view of Osbon (article "Jandel Scientific Announces Java (R) 1.4", News Release, Corte Madera, CA March 1, 1991).

With regard to claims 21-22, Kashiwazaki et al teaches a printer(1) comprising: a communication interface (21), an image forming device (10); and a processor (22), connected to the communication interface and the image forming device (e.g. items 10 and 20 are connected through item 31), configured to control the printer. using a device independent device (e.g. col. 6, lines 59-65). Kashiwazaki et al. does not teach to control the printer or to report a printer status using an object oriented command (Such

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as JAVA) . However, Osbon teaches that it is well known in the art to use JAVA commands in a printing environment (page 1). Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art to provide the device independent printing system having multiple environment as taught by Kashiwazaki_et al. with a JAVA environment as taught by Osbon, in order to take advantage of JAVA's versatility and portability which is independent of operating systems and hardware architectures, thereby allowing the printing system of Kashiwazaki_et al. to greatly improve overall program execution.

With regard to claims 23-24, Kashiwazaki_et al teaches the processor is configured to control the printer using a complex graphics operator (inherently reads on item 101 and/or 211, which allow the user to control the setting of the printer).

With regard to claims 26-27 and 29-30, the combination of Kashiwazaki_et al and Osbon teaches the use of a JAVA language within a printer (see details above), the features of claims 26-27 and 29-30 represent the feature of the JAVA language (see page 2 of Applicant's disclosure). Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill to provide the system taught by the combination of Kashiwazaki_et al and Osbon with the feature of the JAVA printer, since these feature are inherently-part of the JAVA printer that will be incorporated to any system when the JAVA language is being used.

With regard to claim 28, Kashiwazaki_et al teaches the processor is configured to process commands in multiple languages (see fig. 2).

With regard to claims 35-38,40-51, the limitations of claims 35-38,40-51 are covered by the limitations of claims 21-24,26-30 above.

3. Claims 25 and 39 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Kashiwazaki et al. (5,469,373) and Osbon (article "Jandel Scientific Announces Java (R) 1.4", News Release, Corte Madera, CA March 1, 1991) as applied to claims 21-23 above, in further view of Cabral et al. (5,455,599),

With regard to claim 25, the combination of Kashiwazaki et al. and Osbon teach the use of a graphics operator (see details above), but fails to teach using a graphics operator which is a subclass of an existing primitive. However, Cabral et al teaches that it is well known in the art to have a graphics operator which is a subclass of an existing primitive [34 and 61]. Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill at the time of the invention to provide the combination of Kashiwazaki et al. and Osbon with the details of the graphics operator as describe by Cabral et al. in order to provide the suggested system with a better selection of feature(s) allowing the user to provide more feature to the printing system graphics operator.

4. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Gabriel I. Garcia whose telephone number is (571) 272-7434. The Examiner can normally be reached Monday-Thursday from 7:30 AM-6:00 PM. The fax phone number for this group is 571-273-8300.

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